IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 13 as shown in the following listing of claims, which replaces all previous listings and versions of claims.

1. - 6. (canceled).

7. (previously presented) A self light emitting display device, comprising:

a self light emitting element;

a first polarization layer and a second polarization layer sandwiching therebetween the self light emitting element;

a first optical phase differential layer (retardation: $\Delta n_1 d_1$ where Δn is optical anisotropy and d is a thickness) provided between the self light emitting element and the first polarization layer; and

a second optical phase differential layer (retardation: $\Delta n_2 d_2$) provided between the self light emitting element and the second polarization layer;

wherein a transmission axis of the first polarization layer is parallel to a transmission axis of the second polarization layer; and

wherein a delay phase axis of the optical anisotropy of the first optical phase differential layer ($\Delta n_1 d_1$) is parallel to a delay phase axis of the optical anisotropy of the second optical phase differential layer ($\Delta n_2 d_2$) and an angle produced by the delay phase axis and the transmission axis of the first polarization layer is set to block external light.

8. (previously presented) A self light emitting display device according to claim 7; wherein the values of $\Delta n_1 d_1$ and $\Delta n_2 d_2$ with respect to light having a wavelength λ of 400 nm to 700 nm satisfy:

$\Delta n_1 d_1 / \lambda = 0.25 + m/2 \pm 0.05$ (m = 0, 1, 2, ...); and

$\Delta n_2 d_2 / \lambda = 0.25 + m/2 \pm 0.05$ (m = 0, 1, 2, ...).

9. (previously presented) A self light emitting display device according to claim 7; wherein one of a polymer stretched film and a polymer liquid crystal film is used for the first optical phase differential layer or the second optical phase differential layer.

10. (previously presented) a self light emitting display device according to claim 7; further comprising a display portion closing mechanism for selectively masking at least a portion of a light emitting region of the self light emitting element.

11. (previously presented) A self light emitting display device according to claim 7; wherein the self light emitting display device has a foldable structure; and further comprising a display portion closing mechanism automatically movable to opened and closed positions to unmask and mask, respectively, at least a portion of a light emitting region of the self light emitting element in accordance with a folding state of the device such that the display portion closing mechanism is moved to the opened position when the device is in a folded state and is moved to the closed position when the device is in an unfolded state.

12. (previously presented) a self light emitting display device according to claim 11; further including a manually movable member for manually moving the display portion closing mechanism to the opened and closed positions.

13. (currently amended) A portable, foldable device having an electroluminescent display, the device comprising: two sections foldably connected together and having a folded state in which the two sections overlap one another and an unfolded state in which the two sections do not overlap one another; an electroluminescent element disposed in one of the sections for emitting and transmitting light through a side of the one section; and a privacy device for automatically

preventing transmission of the light through the side of the one section when the two sections are in the unfolded state and permitting transmission of the light through the ~~one~~ side of the one section when the two sections are in the folded state.

14. (previously presented) A portable, foldable device according to claim 13; wherein the electroluminescent element emits and transmits light through two opposed sides of the one section; and the privacy device prevents transmission of the light through one side while permitting transmission of the light through the other side when the two sections are in the unfolded state.

15. (previously presented) A portable, foldable device according to claim 14; wherein the privacy device comprises a movable shutter movable in accordance with the unfolding and folding of the two sections for preventing and permitting transmission of the light through the one side.

16. (previously presented) A portable, foldable device according to claim 15; wherein the shutter has an opaque portion for blocking transmission of the light and a transparent portion for permitting transmission of the light.

17. (previously presented) A portable, foldable device according to claim 13; wherein the privacy device comprises a movable shutter movable in accordance with the unfolding and folding of the two sections for preventing and permitting transmission of the light through the side.

18. (previously presented) A portable, foldable device according to claim 17; wherein the shutter has an opaque portion for blocking transmission of the light and a transparent portion for permitting transmission of the light.

19. (previously presented) A portable, foldable device according to claim 13; wherein the electroluminescent element comprises a self light emitting element, a first polarization layer and a second polarization layer sandwiching therebetween the self light emitting element; a first optical phase differential layer (retardation: $\Delta n_1 d_1$ where Δn is optical anisotropy and d is a thickness) provided between the self light emitting element and the first polarization layer; and a second optical phase differential layer (retardation: $\Delta n_2 d_2$) provided between the self light emitting element and the second polarization layer; wherein a transmission axis of the first polarization layer is parallel to a transmission axis of the second polarization layer; and wherein a delay phase axis of the optical anisotropy of the first optical

phase differential layer ($\Delta n_1 d_1$) is parallel to a delay phase axis of the optical anisotropy of the second optical phase differential layer ($\Delta n_2 d_2$) and an angle produced by the delay phase axis and the transmission axis of the first polarization layer is set to block external light.

20. (previously presented) A self light emitting display device according to claim 19; wherein the values of $\Delta n_1 d_1$ and $\Delta n_2 d_2$ with respect to light having a wavelength λ of 400 nm to 700 nm satisfy:

$$\Delta n_1 d_1/\lambda = 0.25 + m/2 \pm 0.05 \ (m = 0, 1, 2, \ldots); \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta n_2 d_2/\lambda = 0.25 + m/2 \pm 0.05 \ (m = 0, 1, 2, \ldots).$$

21. (previously presented) A self light emitting display device according to claim 19; wherein one of a polymer stretched film and a polymer liquid crystal film is used for the first optical phase differential layer or the second optical phase differential layer.